

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 28

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 114

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 28—Relative to the United States Postal Service.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AJR 28, Cook. United States Postal Service.

This measure would urge the United States Postal Service to end its plan to reduce the frequency of mail delivery from 6 days to 5 days a week, and to take all appropriate measures to ensure the continuation of this 6-day mail delivery service.

WHEREAS, The United States Postal Service has proposed to reduce the frequency of its mail delivery service from six days to five days a week; and

WHEREAS, Reducing the frequency of delivery service would seriously reduce the ability of the United States Postal Service, which after the Department of Defense is the largest employer of veterans in the nation, to offer decent jobs and benefits to our brave servicemen and women, who are deployed overseas, when they return home from their tour of duty; and

WHEREAS, The United States Postal Service provides essential service to rural communities by helping to keep them connected to the rest of the nation; and

WHEREAS, Six-day mail delivery to over 150 million homes and businesses across the nation is an essential service that the American people have relied on since 1912, particularly families that depend on the United States Postal Service for the timely delivery of their bills, payments, paychecks, and other correspondences; and

WHEREAS, Social security is the primary or sole source of income for many senior citizens, and any delay in the delivery of their social security checks would make it difficult for them to purchase essential items, such as food and mail-order prescription drugs; and

WHEREAS, Many California businesses and dozens of small and large produce suppliers rely heavily on the United States Postal Service to provide timely delivery of their products across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Reducing mail delivery service to five days a week would inevitably cause delays in the delivery of mail and higher postal costs due to the additional overtime that the United States Postal Service would require in order to handle the resulting backlog of mail; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and the Senate of the State of California, jointly,
That the Legislature urges the United States Postal Service to end its plan

to reduce the frequency of mail delivery from six days to five days a week, and to take all appropriate measures to ensure the continuation of this six-day mail delivery service; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, to the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, to the United States Postmaster, and to the author for appropriate distribution.